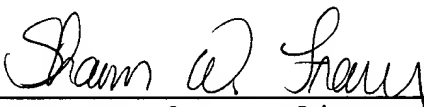


Claims 47-61 have been added to provide an additional scope of coverage to which Applicants deem themselves entitled. No new matter has been added. Favorable consideration, entry of the amendments and early passage to issue of the above-identified application is respectfully requested.

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MARKED-UP VERSION OF THE CLAIMS

5. (Amended) The smart card as claimed in claim 1, wherein said booking transaction enabling data is in respect of booking a pre-paid ticket.

19. (Amended) The card as claimed in claim 18, wherein said computer based device comprises an output display device and said function comprises rendering said at least part of said second or third data to said output display device.

33. (Amended) A system according to claim 32, wherein said overlay forms part of said reader device and is configured to be removably positionable above said touch panel to enable user selection of one or more of said alternate set of computer interpretable functions.

34. (Amended) A system according to claim 33, wherein said overlay comprises a flap hingedly connected to said reader device and associated with a switch configured to detect positioning of said flap over said touch panel to thereby activate said alternate set of computer interpretable functions.

39. (Amended) A system according to claim 36,
wherein said user interface of each said smart card is
programmable at least by an operator of said database.

43. (Amended) A method for trading smart cards in a
smart card system, said system comprising:

a plurality of smart cards forming a set related
to predetermined information, each said smart card comprising:

(i) a user interface representing at least
one part of, and facilitating access to at least another part of,
said predetermined information;

(ii) smart card data associated with said
user interface and readable to facilitate said access to said at
least another part of said predetermined information;

a smart card reader for reading at least a
portion of said smart card data from one said smart card in
response to a user interaction with the corresponding said user
interface to form an information request;

a database incorporating at least said another
part of said particular information and responsive to said
information request to output a predefined component of said
predetermined information, whereupon said database correlates a

collective functionality of said set to smart cards to provide access, using at least each of said plurality of smart cards, to an entirety of said another part of said predetermined information;

said method comprising the steps of:

choosing one of said smart cards for possible trading;

ascribing, dependent upon said one part of said predetermined data of said chosen smart card, a card-based value;

assessing, dependent upon the corresponding said predefined component of said chosen smart card, an associated database-based value;

determining a composite smart card value, dependent upon said card-based value and said database-based value; and

trading said chosen smart card dependent upon said composite smart card value.